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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: Timothy Howard Meeks
SHINZO UCHIYAMA ET AL.	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 1762
Application No.: 10/699,883	)	
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Filed: November 4, 2003	)	
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For: SURFACE MODIFICATION	)	
METHOD	:	May 3, 2005

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Sir:

(a) Introductory Comments

In response to the Office Action dated April 15, 2005, kindly consider the following corrected section of the previously-filed "Amendments to the Claims" section: